ANNEXURE B.

Statement showing the names of Municipalities which have agreed to contribute towards the cost of medical inspection of pupils in their areas at rates proposed by the Director of Public Instruction.

CITY MUNICIPALITY.

MYSORE.

TOWN MUNICIPALITIES.

1	Shimoga	7	Sagar
2	Tumkur	8	Bowringpet
3	Davangere	9	Tiptur
4	Chikmagalur	10	Chitaldrug
5	Chikballapur	11	Dodballapur
6	Harihar	12	Sira

MINOR MUNICIPALITIES.

1	Hoskote	13	Goribidnur
2	Malur	14	Challakere
3	Channagiri	15	Yelahanka
4	T.-Narsipur	16	Sravanabelagola
5	Nagamangala	17	Malebenur
6	Srinivaspur	18	Saklespur
7	Saligram	19	Sulibele
8	Nyamathi	20	Narasimharajapura
9	Kortagere	21	Sorab
10	Kadur	22	Koppa
11	Turuvekere	23	Kallurkatte
12	Bhadravati	24	Vadigenahalli.

Administration Report.

READ—

The Administration Report of the Government Gardens Department for the year 1926-27, received with letter No. 831, dated 31st October 1927, from the Superintendent, Government Gardens in Mysore.

ORDER NO. D. 7658—G. G. 36-27-3, DATED 24TH JANUARY 1928.

Recorded.

2. *Experimental and Scientific Work.*—Experimental work in fruit culture was carried on chiefly in the Palace Orchard and to some extent, in the Botanic Gardens, Bangalore, and at the Horticultural Farms in Bangalore and Mysore. Plant breeding experiments and manurial tests were conducted in the case of certain vegetable and other crops.

The opening of the Central Fruit Nursery and the training imparted in the Horticultural School to persons desirous of learning practical gardening will, it is hoped, give considerable impetus to gardening in the State. It is gratifying to note that the demand for avenue plants is steadily on the increase. The Avenue Nursery started in the Horticultural Farm, Bangalore, has been meeting this demand to a great extent.

Numerous plants of horticultural and botanical interest were introduced during the year under review. Several seeds and plants of economic importance like fodders, oils, drugs, timber, etc., were imported during the year under review and steps were taken to acclimatize them. Another important feature was the publication of bulletins and notes on subjects of horticultural interest, like the cultivation of flowers, vegetables, fruits, methods of fruit preservation, methods of dealing with plant diseases, etc.

Successful work was done by the department in checking the spread of American blight in apples.

3. *Maintenance and Improvement of Gardens.*—With a view to effect improvement in the management of Government Gardens in the Cities of Bangalore and Mysore by bringing them under a single control and to ensure their development on scientific lines, Government ordered the transfer of these gardens to the control of the Gardens Department with effect from 1st July 1926. In Government Order No. D. 9426-65—G. G. 79-26-2, dated 30th April 1927, orders were issued sanctioning the establishment for the management of these new gardens.

Seasonal conditions were not favourable for about six months in the year.

Considerable improvements were effected in the Lal-Bagh including the installation of ornamental electric lights along the main drive. Attempts are being made to have

Government are glad to notice that the District Board of Mysore sanctioned a sum of Rs. 200 for starting an Avenue and Fodder Nursery at Daria Daulat Bagh during the year under review.

4. *Nandi Hill Station.*—The Nandi Hill Station continued to grow in popularity; and the number of visitors increased from 592 in 1925-26 to 664 during the year under review. Among the distinguished visitors from outside, special mention may be made of the visit of Mahatma Gandhi and of his stay on the hills for a little over two months.

Considerable improvements were effected on the Hill Station for the convenience and comfort of visitors. The establishment of the Nandi Hill Station was revised in Government Order No. I. C. 837-8—A. & E. 301-25-5, dated 3rd August 1926. The total receipts of the Hill Station amounted to Rs. 3,334-15-10 as against an expenditure of Rs. 10,999-12-6.

5. *General.*—The work of the department during the year under review continued to be satisfactory.

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Secretary to Government,
Development Departments.

Report of the Working of the Department of Industries and Commerce.

READ—

The Administration Report on the Working of the Department of Industries and Commerce during the year 1926-27, received with letter No. Per. 1-27, dated 6th November 1927, from the Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore, Bangalore.

ORDER No. D. 7793—I. & C. 166-27-3, DATED 26TH JANUARY 1928.

Recorded.

2. *General Industrial Position.*—The Director proposes to publish a review containing a comprehensive survey of the general industrial position in the State and states that he has collected statistical materials for the purpose. This publication will serve a very useful object; the Director is requested to arrange for its early issue.

3. *Assistance to Private Enterprise.*—During the year the Department helped in the erection of 46 industrial installations by private enterprise, involving the investment of capital to the extent of Rs. 2,85,700. Including 18 applications pending at the close of the previous year there were 85 applications for financial aid under the Industrial Loans Rules. Of these 33 applications involving a sum of Rs. 72,286-10-0 were sanctioned; 32 applications were either rejected or withdrawn, leaving 20 applications pending disposal at the close of the year under review.

The total amount advanced from the time the system of Industrial Loans was introduced up to the end of June 1927, was Rs. 11,47,832-15-10 out of which Rs. 7,05,535-15-7 have been recovered, and Rs. 13,794-11-10 written off as irrecoverable. A sum of Rs. 1,39,589-4-2 has been recovered towards interest. Of the balance of Rs. 4,28,502-4-5 outstanding a sum of Rs. 2,21,458-9-6 had not fallen due for repayment before the close of the year.

The Director reports that since 1924-25 more of private capital is being invested in enterprise receiving financial help from Government. This is an encouraging feature which, it is hoped, will be maintained in future.

The Director is requested to mention in the future annual reports, the number of new industrial installations erected as compared with the number erected in each of the two previous years, to indicate the course of development under the different kinds of plants.

In the course of his report, the Director has drawn attention to the fact that only about 70 per cent of installations, started with the aid of Government, are now in working order and that the rest have failed for one reason or another. The Director has investigated the causes of failure in such cases and Government hope that the experience gained in the past will prove of value in eliminating chances of failure in future undertakings.

The outstandings at the close of the year were heavy, but it is satisfactory that the Director has made a complete enquiry into all cases of outstanding loans, with a view to take suitable action warranted by the circumstances of each case. Each case should be pursued with all possible expedition till a final decision is obtained. The Director considers that a part of the outstanding loans may prove to be irrecoverable.